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TAGS: NATO, OVIP (CARTER, JIMMY), NAC  
SUBJECT: ADDITIONS TO PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT TO NORTH  
ATLANTIC COUNCIL

REF: (A) USNATO 144, (B) USNATO 145

1. WE HAVE RECEIVED REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION ON  
SEVERAL POINTS OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE PRESS RELEASE  
(REF A) AND PRESIDENT CARTER'S STATEMENT BEFORE THE NORTH  
ATLANTIC COUNCIL, JANUARY 6, AS DELIVERED.

2. IN ADDITION TO THE PRESIDENT'S REMARKS ON THEATER  
NUCLEAR SYSTEMS (REF B), OUR REVIEW OF THE TAPES OF THE  
COUNCIL MEETING REVEAL THE FOLLOWING SUBSTANTIVE ADDITIONS  
TO THE RELEASED STATEMENT:

. - FY 1979 DEFENSE EXPENDITURES. FOLLOWING HIS  
STATEMENT THAT THE DEFENSE BUDGET WILL PROVIDE FOR REAL  
INCREASES IN U.S. DEFENSE SPENDING, THE PRESIDENT ADDED:

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"OUR 1979 FY BUDGET OUTLAYS WILL BE ALMOST 3.5 PERCENT  
GREATER THAN THIS YEAR, AFTER WE INCREASE ENOUGH TO COVER  
INFLATIONARY FACTORS. THIS OBVIOUSLY WILL BE A RENEWED  
DEMONSTRATION OF OUR COMMITMENT TO NATO."

. - REINFORCEMENT. AFTER STATING THAT WE WILL SUB-  
STANTIALLY IMPROVE OUR REINFORCEMENT CAPABILITY, THE

PRESIDENT ADDED THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC EXAMPLES: "IN A PERIOD NOW OF ABOUT TEN DAYS, WE CAN DEPLOY AN ADDITIONAL DIVISION. WE HOPE BY 1982 THAT WE CAN DEPLOY FIVE ADDITIONAL DIVISIONS IN THE SAME PERIOD OF TIME; AND OUR CAPABILITY OF REDEPLOYING TACTICAL AIRCRAFT WILL BE INCREASED IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS AT LEAST 50 PERCENT."

3. ACTION REQUESTED: IN RESPONDING TO ALLIED QUERIES, REQUEST WE BE AUTHORIZED TO CITE THE ABOVE PASSAGES, PREFERABLY ON AN UNCLASSIFIED BASIS. GLITMAN

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